

Smart Documents

The Future of EBS for Construction



Background

- Origin of Electronic Distribution of Bid Documents with Plans and Specs
 - Tri-Services CADD/GIS Technology Center

Working Group

- US Army Corps of Engineers
- US Air Force
- US Navy

Early Adopters in Government

USACE - 1996 for projects on CD Vice Presidential Hammer Award

USAF - Select bases in 1997; enterprise wide in 1999 with FBO Website

US Navy - CD distribution in 1997 and web based in 1998

Early Adopters in Private Sector

- Plan Room Operators '97-'98
 - Builders Exchange, Texas
 - Valley Construction News, Virginia
 - AGC Plan Room, Texas
- FW Dodge and CMD
 - CD distribution and new web services
- Project Management Services

Who Benefits?

- Owners
 - Major time and cost savings
 - Wider distribution
 - Immediate amendment distribution
- A/E firms
 - Secure information distribution
- Contractors and Suppliers
 - 24/7 access saves time & costs

Early Technology Enablers

- Drawings
 - Alternative to CAD needed
 - Group 4 TIFF open standard
 - CAL (TIFF superset) DOD standard
 - Scales accurately for printing and measuring
- Specs
 - Use original document formats;
 - Word, Word Perfect, Excel
 - Convert to PDF or TIFF

Early Technology Enablers

- SourceView introduced in 1996
 - Large format viewer standard
 - Organized sets of drawing files
 - Limited tools for electronic takeoffs
- Original word document viewers or PDF viewer for specs

User Needs Not Met

- Growing complexity of User Tools
 - disparity between novice and sophisticated users
- Need for information from CAD file
- Document security
- Information exchange between users

Advanced Technology

- All-in-one tool sets
- Multiple format support
- Enhanced on-line viewing
- Fast document creation
- Smart Document support

Smart Documents - the Future

What are Smart Documents?

Documents that carry additional information and encoded keys that significantly enhance their usefulness to the recipient.

Smart Document Content

- CAD Document Tools
 - CADD/GIS Technology Center project
 - XML output
- Annotated Document Layers
 - Takeoffs and markups
 - Individualized layers

Smart Document Content

- Digital Signatures
 - Authentication
 - Document integrity

- Document Feature Keys
 - Software features turned on by document

Smart Document Benefits

Facilitates End-to-End EBS

 Vital for project owners to get buy-in

 Only way to gain full benefits from EBS

Smart Document Benefits

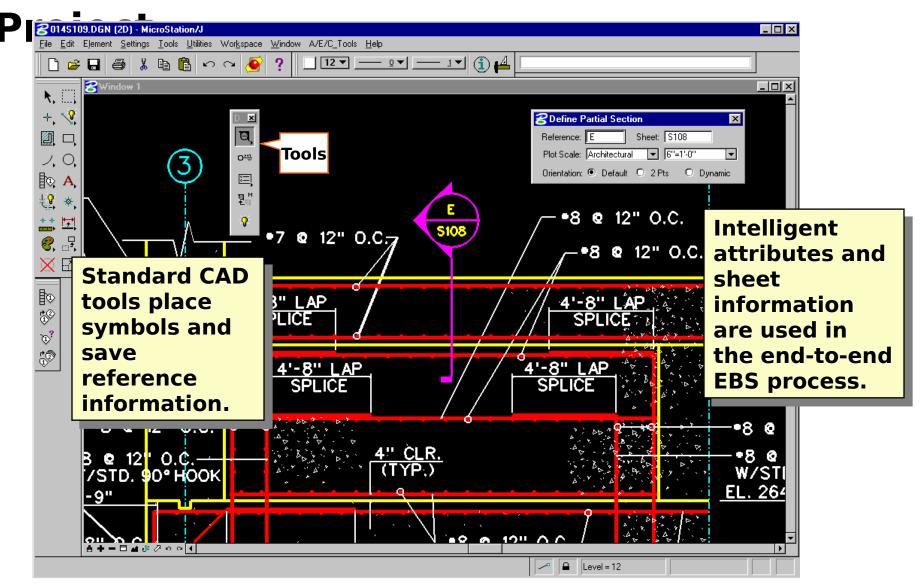
Promotes End-to-End buy-in with end users

- more convenient than paper
- easier to use
- more useful than paper

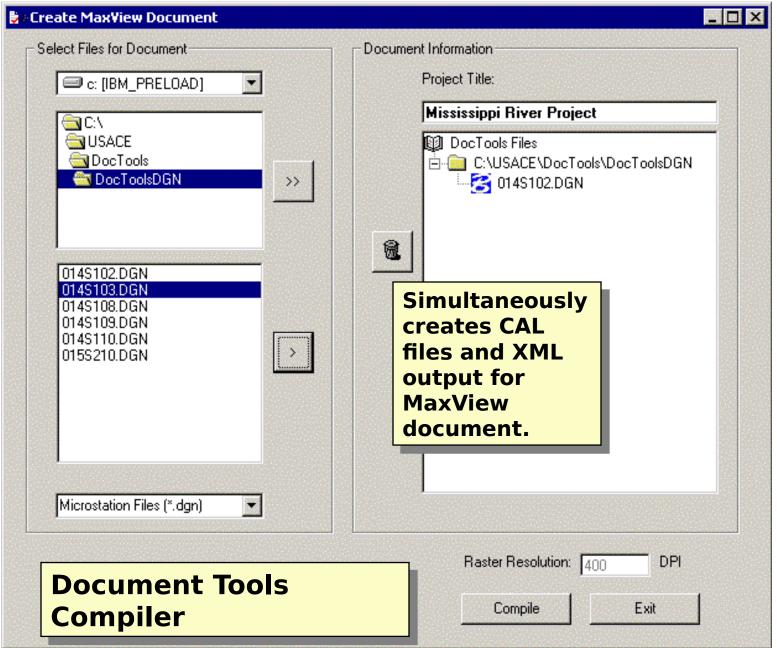
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Examples of how MaxView has implemented **Advanced Technologies and Smart Documents.**

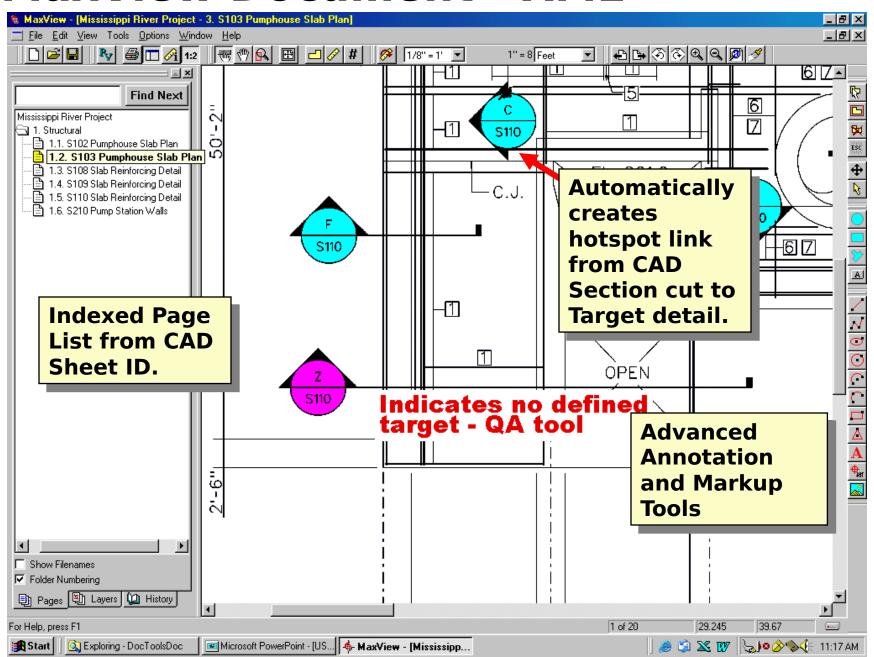
Tri-Services CADD/GIS Document Tools



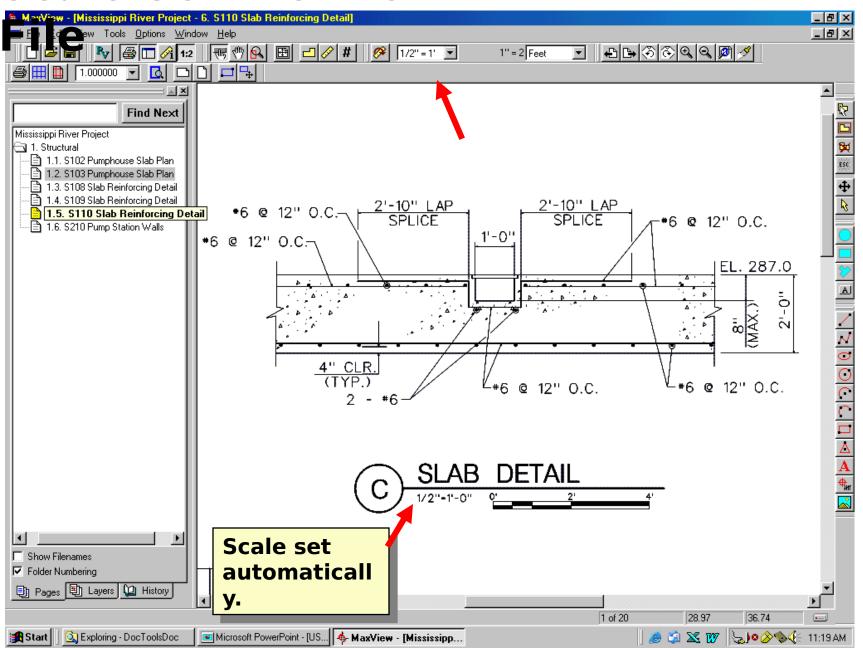
One Step Creates CAL Images & XML file



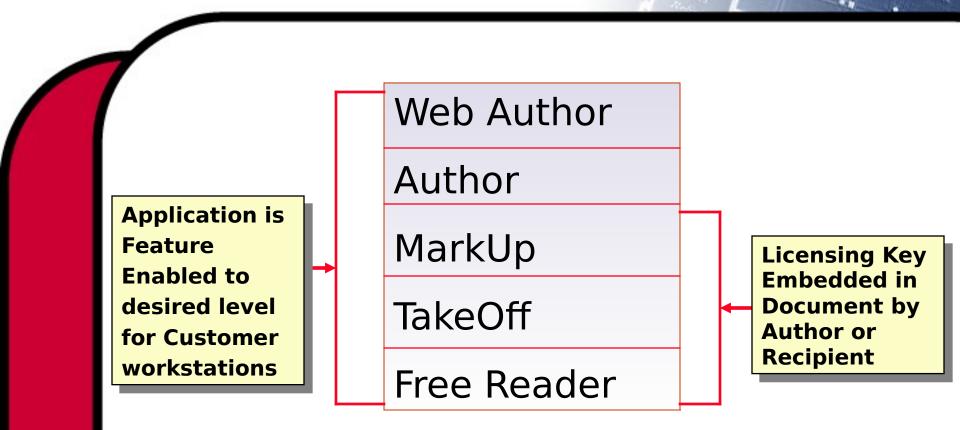
MaxView Document - XML



Scale Set From CAD



All-in-one Application



Software Feature Enabling Key









MaxMarkUp

Computer



A Feature Enabling Key upgrades the software to a more advanced level.

Smart Document Keys







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The Document carries the Smart Key to turn-on software features on any workstation.

Smart Documents Today

- Available now.
- Construction industry is ready.
- Critical for end-to-end EBS.
- Needs SPS originator support.